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In early February 1955, it was learned that Anton Ackermann, formerly Secretary of State in the GDR Foreign Ministry, had worked at the GDR Ministry of Culture for four or five months. He is said to head the Film Department of this ministry and to have been in place of Minister Becker at a social party held by DDR shortly before Christiane Rudolf Herrnstadt, formerly editor-in-chief of the Funktion Zeitung and the Neues Deutschland newspaper, is said to be in charge of the Archives of the Main Administration for the KDP under his friend General Dr. Korfes. Herrnstadt allegedly has been designated to head a KDP newspaper to be organized after the end of the Soviet Army but Star newspaper, after the establishment of an East German national army.

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**Comment.** Information available indicates that Ackermann became chief of the Film Department at the GDR Ministry of Culture in 1953. Herrnstadt was given an inferior post immediately after his exclusion from the SED Central Committee and the Politbüro.

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